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HOUSE BILL No. 1300

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Citations Affected: IC 9-18; IC 9-29; noncode.

Synopsis: Motor vehicle license plates. Prohibits the bureau of motor vehicles from imposing a service charge for a low numbered former prisoner of war passenger motor vehicle license plate. Provides that a personalized license plate is valid for five years. Requires renewal of registration of a personalized license plate to be completed by October 31 of the year before issuance of the personalized license plate or any indicia of renewal of registration. Makes conforming amendments.

Effective: July 1, 2002.

Dillon, Cook, Liggett, Noe

January 15, 2002, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.
January 23, 2002, amended, reported — Do Pass.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 9-18-2-47, AS AMENDED BY P.L.150-2001,
2 SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 47. (a) The commissioner shall adopt rules under
4 IC 4-22-2 prescribing the cycle for the issuance and replacement of
5 license plates under this article. The rules adopted under this section
6 shall provide that a license plate for a vehicle issued under this article
7 is valid for five (5) years.

8 (b) The rules adopted under this section do not apply to:

9 (1) low digit license plates issued under section 28 of this chapter;

10 ~~(2) personalized license plates issued under IC 9-18-15;~~

11 ~~(3) (2)~~ truck license plates issued under section 4.5 or 18 of this
12 chapter; and

13 ~~(4) (3)~~ general assembly and other state official license plates
14 issued under IC 9-18-16.

15 SECTION 2. IC 9-18-15-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
16 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 5. A renewal of a
17 personalized license plate must be completed by October 31 of the year

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before issuance of the personalized license plate **or other indicia of renewal of registration as set forth in IC 9-18-2-8.**

SECTION 3. IC 9-18-15-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 6. (a) If a person who has been issued a personalized license plate renews the registration, the person's combination of numerals and letters is not available to another person until the following registration period.

(b) If a person does not renew a personalized license plate by October 31 **of the year before the year a new personalized license plate is to be issued**, the combination of letters and numerals that was issued becomes available upon the application of a person qualifying under this chapter.

SECTION 4. IC 9-18-15-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 10. (a) In addition to the applicable excise tax imposed under IC 6-6-5, the regular registration fees, and any additional fee required to receive a special recognition license plate described in section 1(b) of this chapter, a person applying for **or renewing the registration of** a personalized license plate shall pay a personalized license plate fee and contribution upon an original application **or registration renewal, as provided in section 5 of this chapter.**

(b) Each license branch shall collect the personalized license plate fee and contribution at the time of application **or registration renewal** for the personalized license plate.

(c) Upon the payment of the required fee, **contribution**, and service charges for an original application or renewal of a personalized license plate, the bureau shall issue a receipt designating and acknowledging a state fee, a political contribution, and the service charge under IC 9-29.

(d) The payment of regular registration fees and excise tax, if applicable, may be deferred until the time that the personalized license plate is delivered to the person who applied for the plate.

(e) A license branch shall collect the service charge prescribed under IC 9-29 for each initial or renewal application for a personalized license plate as a reservation and special processing fee.

SECTION 5. IC 9-18-15-15 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 15. (a) Applications for personalized license plates shall be accepted at any time for **initial** issuance of the plates for the following year.

(b) Notwithstanding IC 9-18-2-7 and IC 9-18-2-8, a person who is the registered owner or lessee of a vehicle who is issued a personalized license plate shall be required to register the vehicle before May 1 of

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each year.

SECTION 6. IC 9-29-3-19 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 19. (a) Subject to ~~subsection~~ **subsections (b) and (c)** and with the approval of the commission, the bureau may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to do the following:

(1) Increase or decrease any of the service charges listed in sections 1 through 18 of this chapter.

(2) Impose a service charge on any other license branch service that is not listed in sections 1 through 18 of this chapter.

(3) Increase or decrease a service charge imposed under subdivision (2).

(b) The bureau's authority to adopt rules under subsection (a) is subject to the condition that a service charge must be uniform throughout all license branches and at all partial service locations in Indiana.

(c) The bureau may not impose a service charge for a requested passenger motor vehicle registration plate containing the numbers set forth in IC 9-18-2-18 for a vehicle issued a license plate under IC 9-18-17 that designates the vehicle as being owned by a former prisoner of war or by the surviving spouse of a former prisoner of war.

SECTION 7. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002] (a) Notwithstanding IC 9-29-3-19, as amended by this act, the requirement that the bureau of motor vehicles may not impose a service charge for a requested passenger motor vehicle registration plate containing the numbers set forth in IC 9-18-2-18 for a vehicle issued a license plate under IC 9-18-17 that designates the vehicle as being owned by a former prisoner of war or by a surviving spouse of a former prisoner of war does not apply to license plates issued before January 1, 2003.

(b) This SECTION expires June 30, 2004.

SECTION 8. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002] (a) Notwithstanding IC 9-18-2-47, as amended by this act, the requirement that personalized license plates be valid for five (5) years and subject to the rules prescribing the cycle for the issuance and replacement of license plates does not apply to license plates issued before January 1, 2003.

(b) Notwithstanding IC 9-18-15-15, as amended by this act, the requirement limiting the year-round acceptance of applications for personalized license plates to the initial issuance of the plates, as provided by IC 9-18-15-15, as amended by this act, does not apply



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2 (c) This SECTION expires June 30, 2004.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Roads and Transportation, to which was referred House Bill 1300, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, delete lines 1 through 17.

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 7.

Page 2, delete lines 22 through 37.

Page 3, line 18, delete "renewal." and insert "**renewal, as provided in section 5 of this chapter.**".

Page 3, between lines 40 and 41, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 6. IC 9-29-3-19 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 19. (a) Subject to ~~subsection~~ **subsections (b) and (c)** and with the approval of the commission, the bureau may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to do the following:

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(2) Impose a service charge on any other license branch service that is not listed in sections 1 through 18 of this chapter.

(3) Increase or decrease a service charge imposed under subdivision (2).

(b) The bureau's authority to adopt rules under subsection (a) is subject to the condition that a service charge must be uniform throughout all license branches and at all partial service locations in Indiana.

(c) The bureau may not impose a service charge for a requested passenger motor vehicle registration plate containing the numbers set forth in IC 9-18-2-18 for a vehicle issued a license plate under IC 9-18-17 that designates the vehicle as being owned by a former prisoner of war or by the surviving spouse of a former prisoner of war.

SECTION 7. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002] (a) Notwithstanding IC 9-29-3-19, as amended by this act, the requirement that the bureau of motor vehicles may not impose a service charge for a requested passenger motor vehicle registration plate containing the numbers set forth in IC 9-18-2-18 for a vehicle issued a license plate under IC 9-18-17 that designates the vehicle as being owned by a former prisoner of war or by a surviving spouse of a former prisoner of war does not apply to license plates issued before January 1, 2003.

(b) This SECTION expires June 30, 2004."

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Page 3, delete lines 41 through 42.

Page 4, delete lines 1 through 5.

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1300 as introduced.)

COOK, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 9, nays 0.

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